

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - LABORATORY

Bioterrorism Response

- The Bioterrorism Response Laboratory provides identification for the following bioterrorism threat agents in conjunction with Local Law Enforcement, FBI, Local Health Departments and referral laboratories:
 - Bacillus anthracis* (Anthrax)
 - Brucella sp.* (Brucellosis)
 - Burkholderia mallei* (Glanders) & *Burkholderia pseudomallei* (Meliodiosis)
 - Clostridium botulinum* (Botulism)
 - Coxiella burnetii* (Q Fever)
 - Francisella tularensis* (Tularemia)
 - Variola major virus (Smallpox)
 - Yersinia pestis* (Plague)
 - Staphylococcus Enterotoxin B*
 - Ricin Toxin
 - The Bioterrorism Response Laboratory provides Bioterrorism Laboratory training to all Level A and sub-Level A laboratories in the state. A copy of the current Level A Manual for Agents of Bioterrorism is available at:
www.health.utah.gov/els/microbiology
 - The Bioterrorism Response Laboratory provides Safe Handling, Packaging and Shipping of Infectious Substances training to Level A Labs, Local Health Departments, First responders, etc.
 - A copy of the current Utah Department of Health Laboratory's **Client Services Manual** can be found at: www.health.utah.gov/els/microbiology
This manual includes:
 - Tests available** at the Utah Department of Health Lab (including Bioterrorism)
 - Test request forms** for submission of specimens
(Bioterrorism test request form – Appendix B)
 - Specimen selection information** can also be found at:
www.health.utah.gov/els/microbiology
 - For additional information on the above organisms and bioterrorism go to:
www.bt.cdc.gov or www.asmusa.org
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